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SUBJECT: US-GDR GRAIN CONSULTATIONS, BERLIN 5711

AS YOU ARE AWARE, MR. MANIFRED WOLFE OF NAHRUNG PAID
COURTESY CALL ON USDA ASSISTANT SECRETARY HATHAWAY
DURING THE FORMER'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON ON APRIL 19.
AT THAT TIME, WOLFE RAISED THE POSSIBILITY OF SCHEDULING
A REGULAR SESSION OF GRAIN CONSULTATIONS DURING THE
TIME OF BEIL'S VISIT TO WASHINGTON IN JUNE. THE
MATTER WAS LEFT UNSETTLED BECAUSE ASSISTANT SECRETARY
HATHAWAY, WHO WOULD ORDINARILY HEAD THE US DELEGATION
FOR SUCH CONSULTATIONS, WAS TENTATIVELY EXPECTING TO BE
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AWAY IN MID-JUNE.

THIS PAST WEEK SECRETARY BERGLAND'S OFFICE HAS RECEIVED
A LETTER FROM GDR AMBASSADOR SUGGESTING THAT DR. BEIL
MIGHT PAY A COURTESY CALL AT USDA AT THE TIME OF HIS
FORTHCOMING VISIT. UNFORTUNATELY, SECRETARY BERGLAND
WILL ALSO BE AWAY DURING THE JUNE 14-16 VISIT OF DR.

BEIL.

USDA OFFICIALS MET WITH GDR EMBASSY OFFICIALS
FRIDAY, MAY 27, TO INDICATE THAT (A) USDA WOULD LIKE TO
HAVE DR. BEIL CALL ON DEPUTY SECRETARY JOHN WHITE ON

JUNE 14, AND (B) IF POSSIBLE USDA WOULD ALSO LIKE TO
HOST A GRAIN CONSULTATION MEETING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH
THE US-GDR UNDERSTANDING ON GRAINS, SOMETIME ON EITHER
JUNE 14 OR 15. IN ABSENCE OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY
HATHAWAY, US DELEGATION WOULD BE HEADED BY DEPUTY
ASSISTANT SECRETARY, HARRY WILHELM. WE FEEL THAT TWO
OR THREE HOUR SESSION WOULD PROBABLY SUFFICE, AND THAT
THE CONSULTATION WOULD NOT REQUIRE FULL DAY. FOR
PROPOSED AGENDA, USDA SUGGESTS THE FOLLOWING GENERAL
POINTS: (A) REVIEW OF PROSPECTS FOR US EXPORT GRAIN
SUPPLY SITUATION, (B) PROGRESS AND PROSPECTS FOR US-GDR
GRAIN TRADE, AND (C) OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE
CURRENT UNDERSTANDING.

IN THE EVENT GDR IS AGREEABLE HOLDING CONSULTATIONS,
OTHER COURTESIES WOULD ALSO BE OFFERED IF DR. BEIL'S
SCHEDULE PERMITS, E.G., EITHER OFFICIAL LUNCHEON, OR
PERHAPS EVENING RECEPTION IN WHICH PRIVATE GRAIN
INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES COULD ALSO PARTICIPATE.

PLEASE CONVEY FOREGOING POINTS TO APPROPRIATE GDR
OFFICIALS. REACTION RECEIVED FROM USDA MEETING WITH
GDR EMBASSY REPRESENTATIVES IN WASHINGTON MAY 27 WAS
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THAT (A) DR. BEIL WOULD MOST LIKELY BE GLAD TO MEET
WITH DEPUTY SECRETARY WHITE, AND (B) PROVIDING ONE OR
MORE GRAIN EXPERTS CAN ACCOMPANY DR. BEIL, IT MAY WELL
BE POSSIBLE TO SCHEDULE CONSULTATION SESSION AS WELL.
GDR EMBASSY PROMISED TO RESPOND AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON
BOTH POINTS. VANCE

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